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## MEMBERSHIP OF GFRMAN ACADEMY OF SCIENCES INCREASED

Election of 27 additional scientists to membership in the German Academy of Sciences in July 1949 resulted in the expansion and reinforcement of five of the institution's faculties. The Department of Social Sciences was not affected by these additions.

The following men were appointed to the academy's Department of Mathematics and Natural Sciences:

Serge von Butnoff, born 1888 in Leningrad, professor of geology at Creifswald University, with which he has been associated since 1929, and one of the foremost interpreters of East European geology.

Dr Helmut Hasse, born 1899 in Kassel, professor of mathematics at Humboldt University in Berlin and director of the academy's research institute for mathematics.

Arthur Luettringhaus, born 1906, professor at the University of Halle, which has proposed him as a candidate for the National Prize. He is working in the field of molecular chemistry, particularly the synthesis of polycyclic compounds. Recently he succeeded in developing a group of novel, highly colored sulfuric compounds, or trithions.

Dr Erich Thilo, born 1899 in Neubrandenburg, professor of chemistry at Humboldt University. His work is centered on the chemistry of silicates.

The following members were added to the academy's Department of Medical Sciences:

Dr Walter Stoeckel, born 1871, professor of gynecology at Humboldt University. Has performed important research in the field of urology.

Karl von Eicken born 1873, since 1925 professor of ear, nose, and throat therapy at Humboldt University.

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Theodor Bugsch, born 1878, professor of internal medicine at Berlin's Humboldt University, one of the most outstanding specialists in internal diseases in Germany. Under the Nazis he was forced to resign his professorship at the University of Halle. Since 1945 he has been working at the Charite Clinic in Berlin. He is vice-president of the German Administration of Popular Education and has contributed greatly to the reconstruction of Berlin's clinics. Plays a leading role in the League for Culture and in the cultural life of the city generally.

Hermann Stieve, born 1886, professor of anatomy at Humboldt University. Lectured at the University of Halle from 1921 to 1933, when he was forced to resign. Works chiefly in the field of generative glands, ovulation, and impregnation.

Johannes Dobberstein, born 1895, since 1928 professor of veterinary medicine at Humboldt University. Specializes in blood abnormalities and nerve diseases of domestic animals.

Hermann Rein, born 1898, professor of physiology at Goettingen University. His Lehrbuch der Physiologie (Textbook of Physiology) is accepted as authoritative. He is especially well known for his investigations of blood circulation.

Nikolai Guleke, born 1878, professor of surgery at the University of Jena, where he has been active since 1919.

Walter Localein, born 1882, professor of ophthalmology at Humboldt University.

In the field or agricultural sciences the following were elected members of the academy:

Hans Kappert, born 1890, professor of genetics at Humboldt University and successor to Erwin Baur at the Institute for Plant Research in Muencheberg, near Berlin. His achievements are in the field of plant cultivation.

Dr Eilhard Wiedcmann, born 1891, director of the Experimental Institute for Forestry in the Department of Forestry of Land Niedersachsen (Sarstedt). He was director of the experimental institute in Eberswalde until he lost his position in 1934. Special field of rerearch is the decrease in soil productivity as a result of improper practices and variations of climate.

In the field of technical sciences the academy has appointed the following:

Heinrich Franck, born 1888, professor at the Technical University in Berlin; also lectures at Humboldt University and was elected to the academy for his work in industrial chemistry. He is a versatile and practical scholar and in a position to serve science and the economy on the basis of his extensive experience. In recent years his work has been centered on basic inorganic products, particularly calcium cyanamide. During World War I he did pioneer work in the production of sebacic acid. Participates actively in the activities and events of the Berlin Kulturbund (Cultural League).

Walter Frenzel, born 1884, professor at the Technical College in Dresden, a research pioneer in textile techniques. Has had years of experience in the development and management of textile enterprises.

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Dr Karl Kegel, born 1876, professor of industrial mining and mineralogy at the Freiberg Mining Academy. Enjoys a high reputation at home and abroad and has been called to Rumania, Bulgaria, and Portugal as consultant in extensive investigations and mining projects. Created the basis for new developments in the processing of briquettes.

Franz Dischinger, born 1887 in Heidelberg, professor of steel-reinforced concrete bechniques at the Berlin Technical University.

Dr Friedrich Sass, born 1883, professor at the Technical University of Berlin, appointed to the anademy as specialist in Diesel machine construction. Has also specialized in internal combustion engines and ship engines, for a time was director of the German Lloyd, and has written a handbook on Diesel angines.

Kurt Beyer, born 1883, professor at the Dresden Technical College and specialist in building and steel construction at the academy. Since the end of the war he has been in charge of the Main Administration for Building and Housing of Land Sachsen.

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